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**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**  
**DECISION ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 30, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply to a non-final Office Action mailed February 7, 2002. The non-final Office Action set a one (1) month shortened statutory period for reply. A reply to the non-final Office Action (restriction requirement) was submitted on March 5, 2002. However on March 22, 2002, the Examiner determined the submission was not fully responsive and set a one month reply period. No extensions of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on April 23, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 17, 2003. A petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment was dismissed on July 2, 2003.

This petition is hereby **GRANTED**.

The Office hereby acknowledges the receipt of the Response to the Restriction and Election Requirement submitted with the instant petition.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2800 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-0251.

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